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Dear US DOJ Rep.

I was just reading about how Microsoft
Won the anti-trust computer operating
system monopoly case.

It is true that the federal appeals court
in June upheld the lower court ruling that
the company used illegal tactics to maintain
its Windows personal computer operating
system monopoly.

(quoted from Reuters news clip see URL below).

But the result was they won, since the
penalty was to do a thing that helps them
build there illegal computer operating
system monopoly.

Any one knows if you teach the children to
use products from only one vender, that
this is a big win for that vendor.

We need to find an alternative
to this.

one example comes from a Reuters news clip

http://www.reuters.com/news_article.jhtml?type=businessnews&StoryID=391566

Red Hat Inc. RHAT.O, the maker of the Linux
<http://www.redhat.com>
operating system that competes against
Microsoft, proposed on its own offering
every school district in the country its own
open source software free of charge,
while encouraging Microsoft to spend its money
on buying more hardware for the schools.

If Microsoft was required to field computers running non-Microsoft software this would teach your future that computers are not Microsoft. That there are other, even better computer operating system, then the microsoft product.

So in this case the money should be spend on hardware, not simply turned into something that costs Microsoft, next to nothing. Since the software is already written, and making a few copys will cost the software giant penneys, on thousands and thousands of copys.

Please see have it seen to that this illegal monopoly does not get away with self promotion, something they willing spend much more then this and do, as a punishment for being found guilty, in a most important court case.

Open source software is the future. But Open source software is a gift. to the public, and private donators can not afford the PR budget that the monopoly can afford.

Thank you